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**Wisconsin recognizes 120 students as All-State Scholars**

MADISON—Students who excelled in high school and were chosen as one of Wisconsin's 120 All-State Scholars will be recognized for their accomplishments April 17 at the Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center in Madison.

"The All-State Scholars program promotes student excellence and achievement by recognizing exceptionally able students who show promise of continued success," said State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster. "However, it is not just the students that we honor. We also commend the scholars' families and teachers. Their parents provided encouragement and support that enhanced the efforts of our state's professional educators. Teachers provided the quality learning experiences that contributed to the success of these students."

Public and private high school principals throughout the state nominated seniors for consideration in the All-State Scholars program based on their high schools' enrollment. Principals of schools with 400 or fewer students could nominate one graduating senior to the program. Schools with enrollments between 401 and 999 could nominate two graduating seniors, and schools with 1,000 or more students could nominate three graduating seniors. A representative committee chose winners from among nominees in each of the state's eight congressional districts.

Selection of the All-State Scholars was based primarily on students' overall high school grade-point average and ACT or SAT scores. In the event of a tie, judges consider student statements, extracurricular activities, and leadership. Scholars will receive the federal Robert C. Byrd honors scholarship of \$1,500, which may be renewed for an additional three years if students maintain satisfactory enrollment with their chosen college and if the federal government provides funding.

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Founded in 1986 by Robert Spiegel, then editor of the Wisconsin State Journal, the All-State Scholars program was one of the first of its kind in the nation to recognize students for dedication to their academic studies. The Association of Wisconsin School Administrators' Wisconsin Foundation for Educational Administration, Wisconsin State Journal, Wisconsin Education Association Council, and Department of Public Instruction are program sponsors.

Assistant State Superintendent Deborah Mahaffey will bring the state superintendent's welcome to the April 17 awards program. Lt. Gov. Barbara Lawton will present the address to the scholars. Other participants in the awards program include Susan Simon, news anchor and reporter for WISC-TV 3 in Madison; Jim Lynch, associate executive director of the Association of Wisconsin School Administrators; Dustin Beilke, writer for the Wisconsin Education Association Council; and Scott Milfred, editorial page editor for the Wisconsin State Journal.

A list of the 2005 All-State Scholars, by congressional district, follows.

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# 2005 All-State Scholars

## **Congressional District 1**

Nathan W. Bahr  
Burlington High School

Paul Bemis  
Greendale High School

Andrea Cavey  
Parker High School, Janesville

Matthew C. Hall  
Parker High School, Janesville

Steven Jacowski  
Craig High School, Janesville

Joshua Jocham  
Greenfield High School

Molly Klaisner  
Badger High School, Lake Geneva

Nicole Kornder of Pleasant Prairie  
Tremper High School, Kenosha

Heather Machkovech  
Parker High School, Janesville

Thomas Noel  
Greendale High School

Brandon J. O'Neill  
Craig High School, Janesville

Joshua Peterson of Wind Lake  
Muskego High School

John M. Piotrowski  
Prairie School, Racine

Michael Ragalie  
Bradford High School, Kenosha

Ina Ziegler of Janesville  
Milton High School

## **Congressional District 2**

Ishrat Ahmed  
Middleton High School

Sarah Boeding  
Middleton High School

Andrew R. Brenton of Verona  
Edgewood High School, Madison

Ian DuBois  
Memorial High School, Madison

Kevin J. Forsberg  
Oregon High School

Kevin Green  
West High School, Madison

Andrew L. Ji  
Memorial High School, Madison

Kendra Johnson  
West High School, Madison

Amy Kloosterboer of Madison  
Verona Area High School

Po-Ling Loh  
Memorial High School, Madison

Elizabeth Marshall  
Sun Prairie High School

Jens Notstad  
Cambridge High School

Laura Shank  
West High School, Madison

Angela Terrab  
East High School, Madison

Anna R. Tomaro  
Oregon High School

## **Congressional District 3**

Alexander Cobian  
River Falls High School

Kimberly F. Dietz  
Logan High School, La Crosse

Gregory Dihlmann-Malzer  
Central High School, La Crosse

Blair N. Foley  
Menomonie High School

Susan Gagliardi  
Hudson High School

Joseph R. Keene  
Potosi High School

Ashley J. Kieler  
River Valley High School, Spring Green

Samuel Ko  
Hudson High School

Jennifer Macke  
Lancaster High School

Nicholas Manske  
Central High School, La Crosse

Matthew S. O'Brien  
North High School, Eau Claire

Adam Pieterick  
Altoona High School

Alexander Porter  
Prescott High School

Ariel Schimek  
Onalaska High School

Suchita R. Shah  
Holmen High School

## **Congressional District 4**

Glорilee Balistrieri of Shorewood  
Pius XI High School, Milwaukee

James T. Boston of Brookfield  
Marquette University High School, Milwaukee

Jason A. Cairns of Brookfield  
Marquette University High School, Milwaukee

Caitlin Czajka of Muskego  
Pius XI High School, Milwaukee

Samuel Daly  
King High School, Milwaukee

Rosalie DeFino  
Riverside University High School, Milwaukee

Jenny DeLessio-Parson of Wauwatosa  
Milwaukee High School of the Arts

Mary Dumke  
Cudahy High School

Thomas D. Fleming of Franklin  
Marquette University High School, Milwaukee

Alicia Knasinski of Milwaukee  
St. Francis High School

Meaghan McDonald of Wauwatosa  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee

Nicholas Ruggero  
King High School, Milwaukee

Adrianna Stoiber of Greenfield  
Pius XI High School, Milwaukee

Jessica Strobel of Cedarburg  
Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Milwaukee

Allison Woyach  
Cudahy High School

## **Congressional District 5**

Patrick Flynn  
Homestead High School, Mequon

Christopher Gollmar  
East High School, Wauwatosa

Daniel Graves of Bayside  
Nicolet High School, Glendale

Casey Harris  
Pewaukee High School

Amanda M. Hentz  
Lake Country Lutheran High School, Oconomowoc

Malka Key  
Shorewood High School

Yinmei Li  
East High School, Brookfield

Susan Locklin  
Kettle Moraine High School, Wales

Jeffrey Miklas  
West High School, Wauwatosa

Erica Niemiec  
Eisenhower High  
School, New Berlin

Preeya Phadnis  
Central High School, Brookfield

Nicholas Pierson  
Shorewood High School

Kristin Saylor  
Whitefish Bay High School

Rebecca Van Aartsen  
East High School, Brookfield

Katherine Wycklendt of Shorewood  
Dominican High School,  
Whitefish Bay

### **Congressional District 6**

Elizabeth DeYoung of Oshkosh  
Winneconne High School

Katherine Freund  
Fond du Lac High School

Michael A. Groh  
Menasha High School

Erin Hennessy  
Roncalli High School, Manitowoc

Jennifer Jacobsen  
Neenah High School

Ruth E. Kalscheur  
Beaver Dam High School

Sarah Krueger  
Campbellsport High School

Dayton Opel  
North High School, Sheboygan

Brett Palm  
North High School, Sheboygan

Hannah L. Palmer  
Fond du Lac High School

Eric Proces  
Neenah High School

Abby Riesterer  
Kiel High School

Adam Scharf  
Fond du Lac High School

Emily Sweet  
St. Mary Central High  
School, Neenah

Tara L. Thieme  
Oostburg High School

### **Congressional District 7**

Andrew Breu  
Columbus Catholic High  
School, Marshfield

Jonathon Brzezinski of Schofield  
D.C. Everest High School, Weston

Shea Chyou  
Marshfield High School

Breanna R. Draxler  
Amery High School

Miranda Fisher  
Stevens Point Area Senior High

Daniel Fletcher  
Stevens Point Area Senior High

Sixing Liang  
Marshfield High School

Zachary Marine  
Marshfield High School

Mahalia Miller  
Stevens Point Area Senior High

Elizabeth Nelson  
Rhinelander High School

Matthew J. Pesko  
Shell Lake High School

Jessica Ryan of Schofield  
D.C. Everest High School, Weston

Rene Sczygelski  
West High School, Wausau

Madalyn Zimbric  
West High School, Wausau

Logan Zoellner  
Merrill High School

### **Congressional District 8**

Kia Chae Yoon E. Block  
Clintonville High School

Bradley DeGroot  
Southwest High School, Green Bay

Luke Dolezal  
West High School, Appleton

Matthew J. Fischer  
East High School, Appleton

Chad Guenther  
North High School, Appleton

Brenna Jenny  
Southwest High School, Green Bay

Ryan Kroening  
Notre Dame de la Baie  
Academy, Green Bay

Kira D. Labby  
Shawano Community High School

Drew A. Loney of Nichols  
Seymour Community High School

Sarah Monette of Abrams  
Oconto Falls High School

Andrew Mortonson  
Preble High School, Green Bay

Ryan A. Pavlik of Green Bay  
Ashwaubenon High School

Ellen Pennow  
Southwest High School, Green Bay

Cole Rathjen  
Waupaca High School

Nicholas Tappa  
Preble High School, Green Bay